REMARKS

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the pending application. The Office Action dated July 13, 2005 has been received and its contents carefully reviewed.

By this Response, Applicant amends claim 1 and cancels claim 29 without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 6,8, 16 and 21-28 are withdrawn as the result of an earlier restriction requirement. Accordingly, claims 1, 2, 4-9 and 11-28 are pending in the present application. Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, the disclosure and claim 29 are objected to because of informalities. Applicant respectfully requests that the objection be withdrawn in view of the current amendments. No new matter is added to the specification.

In addition, claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 12-14 and 29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Oh et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,130,729) in view of Liu et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,573,965) and Von Gutfeld et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,055,035); claims 11 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Oh et al. in view of Liu et al., Von Gutfeld et al. and Kishimoto et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,515,718); claim 15 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Oh et al. in view of Liu et al., Von Gutfeld et al. and Tanaka et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,603,528); claims 17-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Oh et al. in view of Liu et al., Von Gutfeld et al. and Kim et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,100,953).

The rejection of claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 12-14 and 29 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Oh et al. in view of Liu et al. and Von Gutfeld et al. is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested.

Claim 1 is allowable over the cited references in that claim 1 recites a combination of elements including, for example, "...wherein the height difference between the sealant structure and dielectric frame makes the dispensed liquid crystal move and uniformly distributed on the first substrate." None of the cited references including <u>Liu et al.</u>, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least this feature of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicants

respectfully submit that claim 1 and claims 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 12-14 and 29, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

The rejection of claims 11 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Oh et al. in view of Liu et al., Von Gutfeld et al. and Kishimoto et al. is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested. Because Kishimoto et al. fails to cure the deficient teaching of Oh et al., Liu et al. and Von Gutfeld et al., claims 11 and 20 are allowable over the cited references.

The rejection of claim 15 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Oh et al. in view of Liu et al., Von Gutfeld et al. and Tanaka et al. is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested. Because Tanaka et al. fails to cure the deficient teaching of Oh et al., Liu et al. and Von Gutfeld et al., claim 15 is allowable over the cited references.

The rejection of claims 17-19 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Oh et al. in view of Liu et al., Von Gutfeld et al. and Kim et al. is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested. Because Kim et al. fails to cure the deficient teaching of Oh et al., Liu et al. and Von Gutfeld et al., claims 17-19 are allowable over the cited references.

Applicant believes the application is in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited. If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-7500 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37

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